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We would quickly say that it is important to be together as the Church. Most may even be familiar with the reference to Heb 10:25 which speaks of “not forsaking our own assembling” (NASB) or “not neglecting to meet together” (ESV). This instruction is prohibitive, that is, it tells us what not to do. But what is the positive action that should instead be taken? Is it simply to attend our gathering of believers? The Hebrew writer lays it out for us. Let us consider a little more context.

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb 10:24-25, ESV)

The writer instructs to “stir up one another to love and good works,” contrasting “not neglecting” with “encouraging.” It seems that encouragement avoids neglect. Conversely, the failure to provide encouragement is neglect. The writer doesn’t simply intend for a bunch of warm bodies to show up, the writer intends for people to actively encourage one another. Let us each consider this question when we assemble: What can I actively do to stir up my brothers and sisters to love and good works?

*By Cooper Atkeson*

“If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” II Chronicles 7:14

“And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you.” I Peter 5:10

**ATTENDANCE****08/02/2020: 94****CONTRIBUTION:****08/02/2020: \$8,700**

If there is a need for food, medications, etc., and a member is unable to get out, please contact either the staff, or one of the elders.

### THANK YOU

**Kevin and Amanda Chipman** sent the following:

“Thank you for all the love and prayers sent over the passing of my mother, Melody Chipman. Words cannot express how grateful I am for you all. Thank you again Kevin for giving such a beautiful memorial service. May God continue to bless you all.”

**Steve and Tamara Manning** sent the following:

“Steve and I are so overwhelmed by the flood of sweet cards we have received. The thoughtfulness and kind words to welcome us have been such a blessing. We appreciate everyone and look forward to meeting and having sweet fellowship together.”

**Ann Marshall** wants to give a shout out to all of the ladies from Ladies' Bible Class. She said the cards have meant a great deal to her, and she appreciates every one. She wanted to say Thank you!

### CONGRATULATIONS

There will be a presentation of awards to the participants of L2L after services on August 16th in the back parking lot. Refreshments will be provided.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the **Whartons: Katy**, and **James**, who is recovering from knee replacement . Of course, remember their granddaughter Erin as she battles osteosarcoma.

**Barbara Dodd** called to say she fell and broke her knee cap. She had surgery on Tuesday, and is in some pain.

**Manuela Barraza** is in the hospital in Fredericksburg. Please pray for healing, and for strength for the Barraza family.

**Mickie Couch's** sister and brother-in-law have been diagnosed with the coronavirus. Please pray for healing.

**Janet Leslie's** niece, **Linda Rehak**, has the coronavirus. She is at home, in bed, with visiting nurses. She is a lung cancer survivor. Please pray for healing.

Let's remember all of the health care workers we have in our congregation, **Rona Barrozo, Ashton Bosse, Jolene Fudge, Kaysi Garrett, Karen Wootton, Karla (Wootton) Carter**, and those around the nation and world, who are on the front lines of the pandemic.

### Food Ministry

If you know of a need for food (meal) for the month of July, please contact Susan Lott at 713-899-6101.

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### *Members' Health Concerns:*

Please pray for **Barbara Dodd**, recovering from a broken knee cap; **Jody Wilson**, as she recovers from a broken vertebrae, **Don Taylor**, as he deals with several health issues; **Garland McConal** as he recovers at home from surgery; **Scott Stork** (son of Chuck and a missionary in China), who is having radiation treatments; **Desire' Dunn** (daughter-in-law to Beverly Barke) battling Stage 4 Leukemia; **Reba Durbin's** nephew **Terry Beasley**, who was diagnosed with cancer; **Erin Wharton**, 14 y.o. granddaughter to the Whartons-diagnosed with cancer; **Rona Barraza's** friend **Lalaine**, and her 11 y.o. daughter **Pia**, who has been diagnosed with osteosarcoma; **John Meadows**, as he recovers at home from several medical issues; **Bill Fitch**, son of Katie Fitch; **Larry Smith**, friend of the Lovelady family, suffering with colon cancer; **Vida Spangler**, recovering at home from a broken pelvic bone; **The Vance's** daughter **Shari**, and their son and daughter-in-law **David and Sarah** who are health care workers; **Dennis Lange's** daughter-in-law in Albany, NY working on the front lines in the hospital; **Chris Mulliniks'** sister **Cindy**, a nurse in Tennessee; and **Jeanie Haby's** sister **Julie Browning**, who is an RN at a Houston nursing home.

Please pray for **Holly Macy, Jordan Barraza, Jim Mays, and LaJean Hendrick**, as they continue their treatments.